

4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RESTRICTING WALLEYE INTRODUCTION BY THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE, AND PARKS IN WATERS WEST OF THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE; AND
6 AMENDING SECTION 87-5-714, MCA."

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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

10 Section 1. Section 87-5-714, MCA, is amended to read:

11 **"87-5-714. Wildlife species authorized for introduction or transplantation.** (1) The following wildlife
12 species may be introduced or transplanted by the department based upon scientific investigation and upon
13 approval of the commission:

- (a) gray (Hungarian) partridge (*Perdix perdix*);
 - (b) chukar partridge (*Alectoris chukar*);
 - (c) ring-necked pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*);
 - (d) turkey (*Meleagris gallopavo*);
 - (e) rainbow trout (*Salmo gairdneri*);
 - (f) golden trout (*Salmo aquabonita*);
 - (g) brown trout (*Salmo trutta*);
 - (h) brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*);
 - (i) lake trout (*Salvelinus namaycush*);
 - (j) northern pike (*Esox lucius*);
 - (k) black bullhead (*Ictalurus melas*);
 - (l) yellow bullhead (*Ictalurus natalis*);
 - (m) largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*);
 - (n) smallmouth bass (*Micropterus dolomieu*);
 - (o) pumpkinseed sunfish (*Lepomis gibbosus*);
 - (p) bluegill (*Lepomis macrochirus*);
 - (q) green sunfish (*Lepomis cyanellus*);

(r) rock bass (*Ambloplites rupestris*);
(s) black crappie (*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*);
(t) white crappie (*Pomoxis annularis*);
(u) yellow perch (*Perca flavescens*);
(v) ~~walleye (*Stizostedion vitreum*)~~;
(w)~~(v)~~ cisco (tulibee) (*Coregonus artedii*);
~~(x)~~(w) spottail shiner (*Notropis hudsonius*);
~~(y)~~(x) kokanee salmon (*Oncorhynchus nerka*);
~~(z)~~(y) chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*);
~~(aa)~~(z) lake whitefish (*Coregonus clupeaformis*);
~~(bb)~~(aa) golden shiner (*Notemigonus crysoleucas*).

(2) The commission may by rule and subject to the provisions of 87-5-711 authorize the department to transplant or introduce species of wildlife not listed in subsection (1).

(3) Walleye (*Stizostedion vitreum*) may be introduced or transplanted by the department based upon scientific investigation and upon approval of the commission in waters east of the continental divide. Introduction or transplantation of walleye by the department is prohibited in waters west of the continental divide."

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